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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a residential customer who uses a local internet provider-- Sonic for my phone and DSL. I have had a much better experience with a local company than I had with ATT. Broadband competition is crucial to holding prices down, and providing better service to customers. Be assured that there IS competition in the residential marketplace by carriers like Sonic that use unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs).

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